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More violence in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, July 7 (AFP). — A small bomb exploded at the air force headquarters here late yesterday. But caused no casualties, the La Prensa newspaper reported today.

There has been no official confirmation of the action but a vast swoop by security forces was carried out shortly afterward in a number of districts of the capital.

Junblatt calls for "people's war"

Phalangists claim victories in north Lebanon

BEIRUT, July 7 (Agencies). — Phalangists and Palestinians were today locked in hand-to-hand combat in a fierce battle for control of the northern coastal town of Shekka, unconfirmed reports said.

Reports of the fighting came in as both sides claimed victories in the struggle for the town which is just 15 kms from a radio station controlled by supporters of President Suleiman Franjeh.

Palestinians and progressist Lebanese forces, who over-ran Shekka on Monday, said today they had thrown back a Phalangist counter-offensive.

The Voice of Palestine radio said the attackers abandoned about 30 tanks and armoured vehicles.

But the Phalangists and their Christian allies said today they had managed to dislodge most of the leftwing troops and were now mopping up the final resistance.

The Phalangist radio, meanwhile, claimed new victories along the

north Lebanese coast, reporting that the town of Amioun, a stronghold of the National Social Party, was now "almost totally" under Phalangist control.

The Palestinians said they and progressist Lebanese forces dynamited an ammunition ship in the Christian-controlled port of Jounieh, just north of here, today, destroying the vessel.

Meanwhile, hopes of a negotiated settlement appeared to fade today with the news that a meeting, forecast for today, between Syrian representatives, Palestinians and the Lebanese rightwing had been put off once more.

The local news agency reported that the Palestinian-progressist Lebanese front had rejected any negotiation not preceded by a withdrawal of Syrian troops.

Catholic Maronite leaders were now planning to internationalise the issue, having lost faith in the ability of the Arab League to im-

pose a solution, the agency said. Maronite leaders were to be sent to various western capitals to explain the Christian position, the agency said.

Lebanese leftist leader Kamal Junblatt threatened today to unleash a "people's war of liberation" that would doom the "capitalist regime" in Lebanon.

Leftists had agreed to the idea of a round table parley of all factions in the civil war "to end the massacres" and to reassure the isolationists (rightwingers), he said at a press conference.

"But if they want permanent, total war, we are ready even if fighting should last for years."

He said the two week old rightwing offensive against the Palestinian refugee camp at Tal Al Zatar in Beirut's eastern suburbs forced leftists "to envisage turning our militia into a real regular army, set up a real civilian admi-

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One on hijacker's release list

W. German police hunt women escapees

WEST BERLIN, July 7, (R) — Four women anarchists, including

one whose release was demanded by pro-Palestinian hijackers in Uganda last week, escaped from a top security women's jail here today.

Using at least one gun and apparently with outside help, the four locked up two female guards in the prison library before scaling the prison walls with knotted bed sheets. Spikes scattered on the road outside later punctured the tyres of a police car.

Police in West Berlin, surrounded by Communist East German territory, immediately called in the international police organisation Interpol and concentrated their search on border crossings. Among the fugitives was 32-year-old Inge Viett, one of six West German detainees whose release was demanded by the hijackers, two of whom have been described by Israeli officials as German. The hijackers, who were all killed by Israeli commandos in a surprise raid at Uganda's Entebbe airport, had also demanded the release of pro-Palestinian prisoners from four other countries — Israel, France, Switzerland and Kenya.

Fraulein Viett, a former kindergarten teacher, escaped from the same jail three years ago. She was recaptured last year and was suspected of having taken part, during her freedom, in the kidnapping of West Berlin conservative politician Peter Lorenz in February, 1975.

The kidnapers, the "June 2 Movement," obtained the release of five jailed West German anarchists before freeing Herr Lorenz unharmed.

The other three fugitives were Gabriele Rollnick, 21, and Juliane Plambeck, 23, both awaiting trial in connection with the Lorenz abduction, and 33-year-old law graduate Monika Berberich, a member of the Baader-Meinhof urban guerrilla group.

Only a few days ago, a warrant had also been issued against Fraulein Plambeck in connection with the murder of West Berlin

Chief Judge Guenter Von Drenkmann in November, 1974.

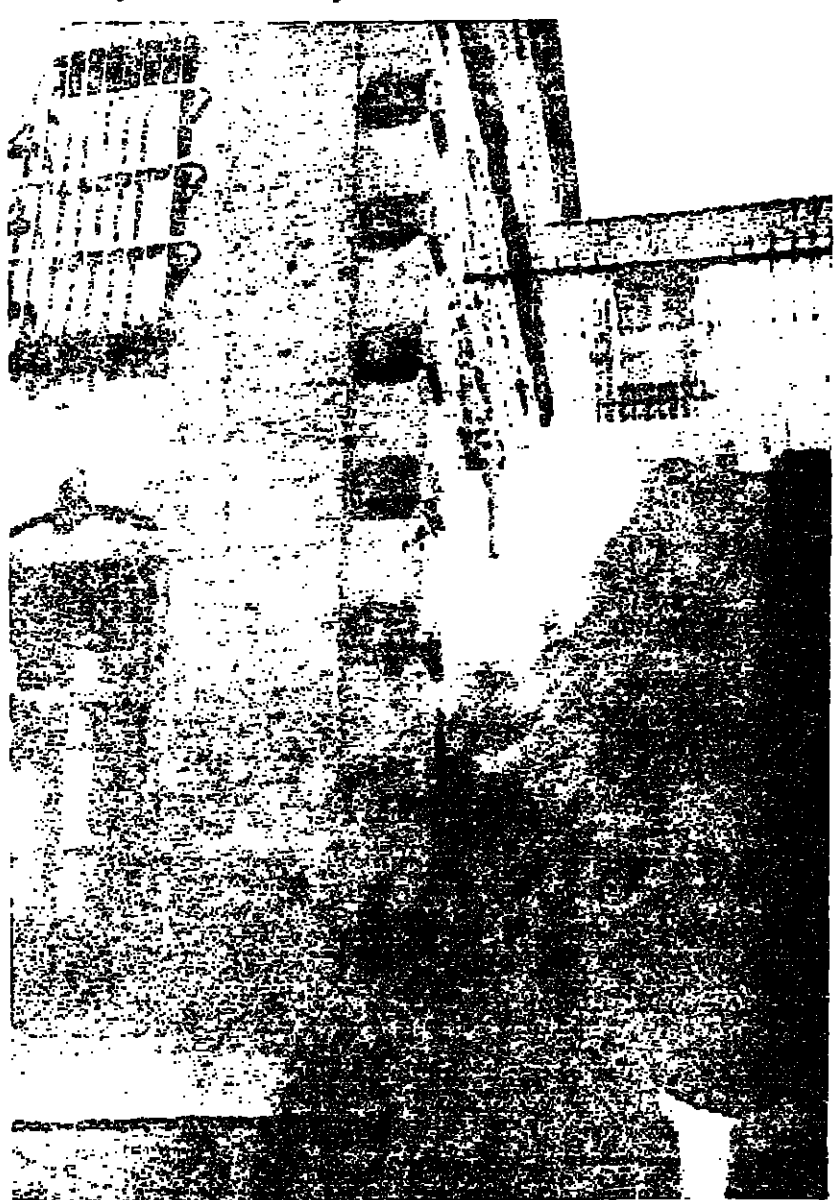
West German Justice Minister Hans-Jochen Vogel told journalists today that the doors to the four women's cells could only be opened from the outside.

But Senator Hermann Oxfort, responsible for West Berlin justice affairs, denied that security precautions at the prison were inadequate. He ruled out any direct link between the escape and the Entebbe hijacking.

Security was immediately stre-

ngthened at all frontier crossings between West Berlin and East Germany, at railway stations and Tegel Airport. Important public figures and buildings were placed under special guard, police sources said.

The Christian Democratic Union (CDU) Party, in opposition both in the city and in the West German lower house, said the escape could have political consequences and demanded an investigation. Kidnap victim Lorenz is a CDU member.



ESCAPE CORNER — Plainclothes police point to the corner of the West Berlin women's prison where four women detainees made their escape early Wednesday. (AP wirephoto).



ESCAPEES — The above pictures are police photos of the four women who made a break from a West Berlin prison. They are (from left to right) Inge Viett, Gabriele Rollnick, Monika Berberich and Juliane Plambeck.



His Majesty King Hussein lays wreath at the tomb of King Talal during Wednesday's commemoration ceremony.

As 30 aircraft approach Uganda alerts its army

KAMPALA, July 7 (Agencies). — Uganda today placed its armed forces on alert following reports that 30 enemy aircraft were approaching from neighbouring Kenya.

A military spokesman said the planes, believed to be Israeli or American, were detected by radar. He urged the public not to panic, and to keep a "close eye" on any suspected western spies.

If any Ugandan spotted an enemy aircraft landing he should use any weapon within reach to speedily finish off its occupants because the "enemy has no sympathy," the spokesman said.

All medical services in Uganda were put on stand-by and the public was called on to be prepared to donate blood for emergency medical treatment.

The military spokesman added that although Uganda was capable of defending itself, friendly countries were prepared to come "by air or otherwise" to Uganda's defence.

Radio Uganda, which first broadcast the report that the air armada was on its way later said a message of support had been received from Libyan Leader Muammar Qaddafi.

He assured President Amin that in the event of any further aggression "Libya would do everything it could to reach Uganda and support the people of Uganda in the defence of their independence."

The message was handed over by the Libyan Charge d'Affaires in Kampala as two days of mourning ended for Ugandans and pro-Palestinian hijackers killed in Israel's attack on Entebbe airport on Sunday.

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SCENE OF DESTRUCTION — This picture of the charred remains of Ugandan Air Force fighter planes, destroyed during the Israeli raid on Entebbe airport, was featured prominently in the Ugandan press and relayed on Wednesday by A.P. wirephoto.

Nimeiry: Libya wants civil war in Sudan

KHARTOUM, July 7 (Agencies). — Libyan diplomats packed their bags and began returning home today after their country was accused of masterminding an abortive coup against Sudanese President Jaafar Nimeiry in which at least 300 people were reported killed.

General Nimeiry broke relations with Libya yesterday and gave the diplomats 24 hours to leave Sudan.

He also severed all other ties with Libya, including joint economic projects and land and air links. Sudanese were barred from working in the neighbouring Arab state.

President Nimeiry accused Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi of sending mercenaries armed with sophisticated weapons to kill him and all members of his government last Friday in order to establish a regime under a former Sudanese prime minister.

Sadiq Al Mahdi, leader of Sudan's defunct Umma Party and prime minister from 1966 to 1967, had also been accused of leading an abortive coup against General Nimeiry in 1969. Since then he has lived in exile.

In a press interview, President Nimeiry said a plane carrying Mr. Mahdi was flying over Khartoum last Friday waiting for a sign to land while fighting took place between Sudanese forces and the alleged mercenaries.

The Cairo newspaper Al Akhbar said President Nimeiry had told a private session at the summit meeting of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) in Mauritania that 2,000 mercenaries had taken part in the fighting. The president had already been quoted as saying men from Libya, Ethiopia, Chad, Zanzibar and Tanzania were involved.

Omdurman Radio broadcast interviews with some of the alleged mercenaries who said they had been trained in Libya and were brought to Sudan in lorries.

In Juba, southern Sudan, President Nimeiry said yesterday that Libya trained African mercenaries with Soviet weapons and paid

each of them 70 Sudanese pounds (£110) a month, the Sudan news agency reported.

At the Juba rally, General Nimeiry accused Libya of constantly trying to break up the 1972 Addis Ababa agreement, which ended the civil war between north and south Sudan.

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Most Democrat governors will back Jimmy Carter

WASHINGTON, July 7 (AFP). — Jimmy Carter today got the backing of all but six of the nation's 36 Democratic governors in his quest for the party's presidential nomination and the White House in November.

The six, including California's 38-year-old Governor Edmund (Jerry) Brown, did not attend a breakfast of solidarity for their former colleague. Mr. Carter is a former Georgia governor.

Governor Brown entered the Democratic presidential campaign late last spring and has won over Mr. Carter in all contests he has entered. But Mr. Carter is certain to win the nomination on the first ballot when the Democratic National Convention opens Monday in New York.

The Democratic governors, attending a meeting of all the nation's 50 governors in Hershey, Pennsylvania, passed a resolution promising their support and united effort to put Mr. Carter in the White House.

Until the convention opens, Mr. Carter is deliberately building up suspense around the only unknown factor at the convention: his choice of a democratic running mate for the vice presidency. Traditionally, the candidate chooses the vice presidential candidate, who is ratified by the convention.

Last week he met Senator Edmund Muskie of Maine at his hometown of Plains, Georgia. Yesterday, he said he would meet Senator Walter Mondale, a politician close to former Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

Four more senators are on the list of possible nominees handed out by Mr. Carter's headquarters: John Glenn of Ohio, Frank Church of Idaho, Henry Jackson of Washington, and Adlai Stevenson of Illinois.

Senators Glenn, Church, and Jackson, all opposed Mr. Carter in the primaries. Senator Stevenson is the son of the late Ambassador Adlai Stevenson.

Concerning his platform, Carter has said he would consider "the total withholding of trade" to deter the Soviet Union from intervening in third-world nations.

In an interview published by the New York Times today, Mr. Carter said he expected foreign policy to dominate the presidential election campaign this autumn. Mr. Carter is strongly favoured in opinion polls over the two candidates for the Republican party nomination for the Nov. 2 election.

He said he would continue military and economic aid to Israel, reassessing that country's needs annually.

He said he totally opposed U.S. military intervention in the internal affairs of developing nations.

Mr. Carter did not rule out the possibility of starting talks with third world countries to programme their debt repayments and to create a common fund to stabilise their revenues from the exports of raw materials.

He said he hoped if elected to reach an agreement with the Soviet Union for a substantial global cutback in nuclear stockpiles.

Greece, Turkey war feared

COSIA, July 7 (AFP). — The Greek-Cypriot National Guard has been on alert since yesterday following an increase in tension between Greece and Turkey over the Aegean Sea, newspapers here reported today.

For the past few days, Greek-Cypriot newspapers have been saying that a confrontation between Greece and Turkey over the question of sovereignty over the Aegean cannot be excluded.

According to the newspapers, the Greek-Cypriot community fears that a conflict could lead to Turkey extending its territory in Cyprus.

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Security Council not likely to condemn Israel

UNITED NATIONS, July 7 (R). — France, whose national carrier Air France operated the Airbus seized by the hijackers at Athens, was expected to abstain, together with Britain, Italy, and Sweden.

The responses of Japan, Panama, and Romania were less predictable, but all were thought to be sympathetic to Israel in this case.

The debate is expected to start tomorrow. The Soviet Union, China, Benin (formerly Dahomey), Guyana, Libya, Pakistan, and Tanzania were considered certain to vote for a sharp denunciation of the Israeli action.

Hard bargaining about the text seemed inevitable.

Traditionally, sponsors of resolutions begin with tough language and tone it down during private discussions in hopes of winning more support.

The council meeting was called at the request of the current chairman of the African group here, Mauritania's Moulaye Al Hassan, who acted in response to a message from the Organisation of African Unity (OAU).

There was speculation that many members would abstain to protect Israel from condemnation by the 15-nation council.

Palestinians claim responsibility for Israeli blackout

BEIRUT, July 7 (R). — Palestinian divan commandos said today they destroyed two main power stations in Israel yesterday, one in Tel Aviv and the other in Haifa.

The Voice of Palestine Radio quoted a guerilla spokesman as saying special commando units had planted time bombs. Power can be cut in various parts of the occupied homeland.

A number of technicians at power stations were killed or wounded, the spokesman said.

The Israelis arrested hundreds of Palestinians, but the commandos returned safely to base, he added.

Israeli military authorities in Tel Aviv yesterday denied that sabotage caused a 75-minute power blackout in much of the country.

K Liberal Party elects new leader

LONDON, July 7 (R). — David Steel, 38, youthful looking son of Scottish clergyman, was today elected leader of Britain's small Liberal Party — inheriting the difficult task of trying to revive the party's former greatness.

Steel won the first leadership election conducted by a British political party among its nationwide supporters, the moderate Mr. Steel defeated his more radical rival John Pardoe, 41, receiving 64 per cent of the votes cast.

The Liberals, once the great Victorian reformist force led by such men as Gladstone, are now Britain's third largest party, with 13 seats in the 635-seat House of Commons. They have declined steadily in the 20th century.

In the last few weeks they have attempted to boost popularity by jolting a "primary-style" leadership election among an electoral college of about 20,000 party members in local branches throughout the country. British party leaders are usually elected only by their leagues in parliament.

In the central count in London today, Mr. Steel received 12,541 votes against Mr. Pardoe's 7,032.

Suarez forms Spanish cabinet

MADRID, July 7 (Agencies). — Young liberal Roman Catholic Adolfo Suarez dominated the cabinet which he formed after four days of difficult negotiations, reliable sources reported in Madrid tonight.

The sources said Mr. Suarez formed his cabinet after the failure of his morning-of-former reformist ministers to persuade King Juan Carlos to instruct the conservative-dominated Council of the Realm to select a new list of three candidates for the premiership to replace Mr. Suarez, who was minister for the late Generalissimo Francisco Franco's National Movement in the outgoing cabinet.

The sources said the reformists were headed by former Foreign Minister Adolfo Suarez.

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Hijacked debate

The Security Council's planned meeting this week, to discuss Uganda's protest against the Israeli raid on Entebbe airport, will be another opportune moment to sit back and watch as the Israeli programme of professional obfuscation is presented to an unwary world once again. The idea of holding a Security Council debate is a good one, and if the Ugandan government had not called for the debate it would have been appropriate for the Arab League or an Arab government to do so. This is because the continuing profanity of Israel is based on the acquiescence and moral lassitude of a largely uncaring world. Israel continues to defy the moral sensibilities of the world largely because the international community's consensus on the legitimate national rights of both the Israelis and the Palestinians is, in reality, translated only into a recognition of Israeli deeds. Palestinian rights — widely acknowledged as they are — remain the substance of words and resolutions. The facts on the ground are that Israel exists, grows and forever clashes with the Palestinian people and the other Arab peoples and nations in the region.

This state of affairs exists today in large part because of Zionist successes in making the people of the Western world believe that Israel is, a) necessary, b) good and, c) an essential element in the clean conscience of the Western peoples. The way this is done can be seen vividly during this week's Security Council debate.

As always, whenever a Zionist is given a forum to address the Western nations, he evades the central questions of Zionist settlers in Palestine, the denied rights of the Palestinian Arabs, or the full ramifications of establishing an Israeli state in an Arab land. The Zionist will instinctively provide the Western audience with simple images that are easily grasped, and which serve only to reinforce the feelings of the Westerners that they must do everything possible to help the Israelis build a strong and secure country in the midst of all these hostile Arabs and Africans and Asians.

What the Israeli ambassador at the U.N. will do this week will not be so much a discussion of the Entebbe operation. He will, rather, present a report from the colonial outpost back to the mother country, a report that does not seek to present the truth, but rather is designed solely to elicit blind sympathy in the cause of strengthening the colonial bonds.

To this end, watch for the Israeli ambassador to talk about how the Jews and the Israelis on the airplane were kept hostages while the other passengers were freed, and see how he shall seek to portray this as some new form of anti-Semitism or, more dramatically, an example of how the Arabs and the Africans and the Asians wish to exterminate the Jews. Watch also for the Israeli ambassador to talk about the moral responsibility that Israel feels towards every Jew in the world, a convenient way in which the Israelis will shift the focus of the debate from the crux of the Israeli conflict in Palestine to the tangential question of the safety of the world's Jews. This point, of course, sets off bells in the minds of all Western people, because it reminds them of the responsibility they bear for the traditional and historical injustice done to the Jews of Europe or North America. When this talk fills the Security Council chamber, the world shall have forgotten about Palestine, and shall be transported away into the world of its own guilt feelings. The Security Council meeting, then, shall not really discuss the Entebbe raid, but will essentially serve as a forum in which the Western world shall once again be asked to atone for its sins. It shall be held hostage, so to speak, by the intellectual terrorism of the Israeli propaganda machine, and it shall ride along willingly as it has been trained to do for so many years now.

We still believe that the Security Council debate will be a good thing, because through such exercises Israel will slowly exhaust the effectiveness of this strategy, and will finally show the world the artificiality of its existence. The Arab delegates at the United Nations would do well to bring this up.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

The Jordanian newspapers Al Rai, Al Dustour and Al Shaab Wednesday all highlighted His Majesty King Hussein's speech at the graduation ceremony of a new class of University of Jordan students. The papers said that in his address, H.M. the King conferred on the graduating young men and women "His own experiences and good example, which they would do well to imitate at a time when they are about to cross the threshold of public life."

The newspapers pointed out that the King has made it a tradition to be among his brothers and sisters at every year's graduation ceremony to shake hands with them, to encourage them, and to point out to them the best way of pursuing their new life as a cultured group of the larger Jordanian family.

His Majesty, the papers say, has counselled the graduates to arm themselves with two vital weapons: knowledge and morality. He also reminded them that their own country, their Arab nation at large, and their compatriots beyond the river look to them to assume a great national responsibility.

Meanwhile, the Syrian newspapers continued to deplore the worsening situation in Lebanon following the failure of the Sofar reconciliation conference which broke up indefinitely after an initial meeting.

Al Baath says the ray of hope that shone at Sofar was hastily to vanish and be put out by the sound of guns and the black smoke of blazing fires.

The paper recalls that the Syrian initiative in Lebanon many times was also about to achieve its national aim of quelling the Lebanese "sedition," but each time a wicked underhanded motion was able to abort the sincere efforts.

In this connection, Tichin daily stressed the fact that there would be no other solution than a unified and secure Lebanon in which all communities would co-exist.

"Those who dream of a decisive victory are only wasting their time in self delusion, just like those who call for a partitioned Lebanon," the paper states.

King Hussein visits King Talal's tomb

AMMAN. — To commemorate the fourth anniversary of the death of King Talal Ibn Abdullah, His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday visited the tomb. He read the fatiha and placed a wreath on the tomb.

Crown Prince Hassan and members of the Royal family also visited the tomb Wednesday as well as Prime Minister Zeid Rifai, Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Bahjat Talhoumi, former prime ministers, ministers, government and military officials and religious leaders.

Trade exchange with Syria doubled

AMMAN. — Exports to Syria in March this year reached a total of JD765,000 as compared to JD358,000 in the same period in 1975, while imports in March 1976 totalled JD420,000 against JD270,000 in the same period of last year, sources at the Department of Statistics stated Wednesday. The main items exported were vegetables, fruits, pharmaceuticals and dry batteries.

Coaxial cable to link Amman, Sweileh, Hummar

AMMAN. — An agreement to lay down a coaxial cable between Amman, Sweileh and Hummar to increase the number of telephone channels available was signed here Wednesday at the Telecommunications Corporation.

The project, to be implemented by an Italian company includes in its first stage the establishment of 2200 telephone channels for the Hummar region, linking the new Sweileh automatic exchange with that of Amman, and linking the Earth Satellite Station and the Sweileh microwave station with Amman using a total of 160 new telephone channels.

The project, the first of its kind to be established for local communications, will cost JD700,000.

The agreement was signed for Jordan by the Minister of Communications Dr Mohammad Adoub Al Zeben and for the Italian company by its director general.

Jordan, Pakistan discuss aviation cooperation

RAWALPINDI. — The Jordanian civil aviation delegation currently visiting here Wednesday held talks with Pakistani officials on bolstering cooperation between the two countries in the aviation field and increasing passenger and cargo transport between the two countries.

The Jordanian delegation had arrived here last Saturday on a short visit.

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His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday received at the Royal Hashemite Court the Lebanese parliamentary delegation currently on a visit here. The Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Bahjat Talhoumi attended the meeting. Picture shows King Hussein with two members of the delegation.

Cattle breeding project to be set up in Qamishly

AMMAN. — The Arab Company for Animal Wealth Development (ACAWD) has approved a cattle breeding project to be set up in the Qamishly region in northern Syria, the Director of Agricultural Research and Guidance at the Ministry of Agriculture, Dr. Hassan Ghazaybeh said Wednesday.

Dr. Ghazaybeh returned here Tuesday after representing Jordan at the meetings of the board of administration of the Arab Company for Animal Wealth Development which convened in Damascus and lasted four days.

The project, he said, will involve 6,000 cows and 60,000 sheep which will graze on an area of approximately 20,000 dunums. Artesian wells will be drilled for water. The cost of the project he added, has been estimated at JD3.5 million.

Dr. Ghazaybeh recommended to the ACAWD board that the company participate in Jordan's livestock production projects, in particular those concerning dairy cows.

The Arab Company for Animal Wealth Development has a capital of JD60 million, paid by Jordan, Syria, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Qatar, Sudan, Somalia, North Yemen and the United Arab Emirates.

Exchange Rates

Following are the official exchange rates at the close of the business day yesterday. The two figures denote buying and selling prices in Jordanian fils:

U.S. dollar	332.0	334.0
U.K. sterling	600.0	608.0
French franc	70.1	70.4
Swiss franc	134.7	135.1
German mark	129.1	129.5
Iraqi dinar	935.0	940.0
Syrian pound	81.1	81.5
Egyptian pound	470.0	480.0
Lebanese pound	110.0	110.3
U.A.E. dirham	82.7	83.5

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ACO sets up Arab Cities Development Fund

AMMAN. — The permanent bureau of the Arab Cities Organisation Wednesday afternoon ended three days of meetings here by approving the statutes of the Arab Cities Development Fund, created by the conference to extend loans to Arab municipal projects.

The Fund is to start operations immediately, and the ACO secretariat was asked to inform Arab governments of this decision.

The conference also approved the working plan for the ACO affiliated Research and Study Centre which will have its headquarters in Riyadh.

The ACO Director General Taleh Al Taher briefed the participants on the steps taken so far by the secretariat to implement the resolutions of the fourth ACO conference and the 9th ACO permanent bureau meeting on the establishment of the Centre. The solutions include the formation of a committee whose job will be to contact Arab governments near the Centre's aims and remits.

Finally, the conference decided that the ACO will hold its conference in Rabat in April.

The conference was attended by mayors of ten Arab cities: Amman, Riyadh, Rabat, Doha, Tripoli, Al Ain, Mogadishu and Kuwait.

Prince Hassan welcomed delegations and wished good stay in Jordan. He expressed his hopes that the meeting will be fruitful in that it will contribute to the increase of the provided by Arab towns and inhabitants.

Crown Prince receives ACO delegations

AMMAN. — H.R.H. Crown Prince Hassan Wednesday received at the Royal Hashemite Court the delegations participating in the extraordinary meeting of the Arab Cities Organisation permanent bureau which recently convened here.

Cholera outbreak reported in Syria
DAMASCUS, July 7 (R). — A cholera outbreak in Syria's northern governorate of Hasaka reported by the Syrian health minister today.

The minister, Dr. Mad Khyami, said the World Health Organisation (WHO) in Geneva has been informed.

Dr. Khyami added that Syrian health authorities have taken all necessary measures to contain the disease spreading.

The minister did not say how many cases were found, but there had been any.

NATIONAL BRIEFS

AMMAN. — Foreign Ministry Secretary General Fawwaz Abu Al Ghanam Wednesday received Jordan's ambassador to Lebanon and the Syrian ambassador to Jordan.

AMMAN. — The Municipal and Rural Credit Fund has advanced total of JD103,480 in loans for construction of schools, water projects and public services, the director general of the fund said.

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Kissinger calls for "new foreign policy consensus"

CHICAGO, July 7 (R). — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger today called for "a new foreign policy consensus" that will lead the United States to lead the world towards new heights of economic and political cooperation.

Kissinger said at a luncheon that domestic political passions must not be allowed to affect American foreign policy.

Foreign policy must be conducted not as a response to domestic passions or to international crises, but as a long-term strategy of building a better world, he said.

The time has come to build a foreign policy consensus far in scope but different in content from that which sustained our previous achievements," he said.

The meeting sponsored by the Royal Chicago Council on Foreign Relations.

Altman wins Golden Bear award

Berlin, July 7 (AFP) — U.S. director Robert Altman's uncut version of "Buffalo Bill and the Indians" last night won the Berlin festival's 26th annual "Golden Bear" award.

Altman's original version of the film had been judged by the festival Monday that he wanted to pull the film out of competition and stop its showing in Europe to protest against cuts in the film's production.

Altman's "Silver Bears" or second prize, were awarded.

They went to Mexico's Felipe Barajas for "Canas" (Manhunt at the West), Italy's Mario Monicelli for "The Four Musketeers" (Dear Michel), Hungary's Laszlo Lugossy for his added film, "Azonositas" (Nameless) and Iran's Parviz Kimiavi for "The Garden" (Stone Garden).

Polish actress Jadwiga Baranska won the prize for best female actor for her role in "Noce i Dnie" (Nights and Days), by Jerzy Andrzejewski.

West German Gerhard Olschowski won the best male actor award for his role in "Verlorenes Leben" (Lost Life), by Ottokar von Guericke.

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U.S., western allies solidarity defended

CHICAGO, July 7 (AFP) — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger Tuesday implicitly rejected accusations by Democratic presidential front-runner Jimmy Carter that the United States had not consulted its western allies enough in recent years.

Speaking to Chicago's Foreign Affairs Council, Mr. Kissinger said "this solidarity is a record unmatched by any other group of independent nations."

He also stressed that he had personally met more than 200 times the heads of government of foreign ministers of the industrialized democracies since he became secretary of state.

"The relations among the industrial democracies have not been as close in many decades and are far closer than they were ten years ago," he said.

Mr. Kissinger did not mention Mr. Carter's charges. But the allusion was clear, since the former Georgia Governor has made strengthening of ties between western countries one of the main themes of his campaign.

It was the first time in two and a half months that Mr. Kissinger spoke to an American audience to "explain" the Ford administration's foreign policy.

He stopped making speeches following attacks by President Ford's adversaries in the presidential campaign. They had zeroed in on him personally and politically.

The rest of his speech resembled a testament. He said he hoped that whatever the result of the presidential election the American people would be united in foreign policy.

Mr. Kissinger said that Latin American countries would occupy a place of increasing importance in the world economic and political scene.

"Their economies are among the most advanced of the developing world," he said. "Indeed they can be said to constitute a 'middle class' among the nations of the world."

"The United States had sought to build a new framework in our hemispheric relations which takes into account new realities without sacrificing the precious advantage of our tradition of collaboration," he said.

"Given the long period of neglect," he went on, "real or perceived, our sister republics in the western hemisphere now know that we care. We have inaugurated a new dialogue based on equality and mutual respect and on a recognition of sovereign independence."

Lit. Gazette claims evidence on U.S. newsmen CIA connections

MOSCOW, July 7 (R). — The editors of a Soviet newspaper said Tuesday, they were "quite happy" that an American correspondent here had filed a libel suit over its allegation that he worked for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

For the third time in six weeks, the weekly Literary Gazette launched an attack by name on the journalist, Mr. Alfred Friendly of Newsweek magazine, and on two of his colleagues. Mr. Christopher Wren of the New York Times and Mr. George Krinsky of the Associated Press. All have denied the allegations.

The latest article, made available in advance of publication tomorrow, dubbed Mr. Friendly "the reluctant spy" and referred directly to his court action.

"We are quite happy with this abrupt step because the editorial board has material about the work of the Newsweek correspondent which, we are certain, will provide a basis not only for the public condemnation of that gentleman, but also for the criminal punishment envisaged by Soviet law," it said.

Literary Gazette did not elaborate on its reference to criminal punishment.

But it repeated an earlier allegation that the three newsmen were engaged in activities closer to those of "the notorious heroes" created by thriller writer Ian Fleming than they were to journalism.

All three have denied the allegation that they work for the CIA, and tonight Mr. Friendly said he suspected the latest attack was aimed at delaying the course of his suit.

"The editors have long known that I intended to leave Moscow this month, and I suspect they are playing for time, hoping my own schedule will work against me," he said.

Mr. Friendly added that he found it very peculiar that the weekly had not turned over its supposed evidence to the Soviet authorities.

"I look forward to the meeting the judge has scheduled for next week between me and the paper to discuss the proof it alleges it has," he said.

Semi-finals for Miss Universe contest start

HONG KONG, July 7 (AFP). — The 1976 Miss Universe competition got under way in earnest here last night, with 72 weary girls tramping round the stage of Hong Kong's Lee theatre, and Miss England being chosen as "Miss Photogenic."

The English beauty, 22-year-old model Pauline Davies, said after the show: "I was shocked — I just didn't know what to do — it was something I really hadn't expected."

The international beauty queens have had a gruelling schedule since their arrival in Hong Kong a few days ago, and after tonight's "presentation show" — a kind of semi-finals — many of the contestants simply crashed out.

At the end of the extravaganza, which lasted for well over two hours, Miss England, Miss Wales Sian Adey-Jones, Miss Guatemala Blanca Montenegro and Miss Mexico Carla Reguera sat down and said almost with one voice: "I'm tired."

Miss Peru won the "National Costume Award" and received a big ovation from the audience who paid 5,000 Hong Kong dollars (over £500 pounds or \$1,000 U.S.) to see the whole affair from the crowning of Miss Hong Kong to the finals scheduled for Sunday morning.

Among the 11 judges, who have the tough task of selecting 12 semi-finalists before next Sunday, Britain's Dame Margot Fonteyn received the warmest applause.

Among the other judges are Swedish actress Britt Ekland, Polish movie director Roman Polanski, French Prince Henri d'Orleans and Hong Kong movie magnate Run Run Shaw.

At a press conference today the committee of judges denied that they might be influenced by political considerations.

Dame Margot Fonteyn said that she was "as nervous as any of the contestants" in her task of interviewing all the girls and selecting 12 for the finals.

Perhaps the most outspoken of the judges was Mr. Polanski. He declared that the panel would "stand behind their integrity" and would try to pick "a fair sampling of international beauty."

Miss Ekland said she was pleased to be one of the judges because, as a person born under the sign of libra, she was "into beautiful people." She is the ex-wife of British actor and comedian Peter Sellers.

The judges were canny about the type of girl that would impress them, but judging from the applause at tonight's show the final lineup might be something like this:

Brazil, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Italy, Mexico, Norway, the Philippines, Scotland, Switzerland and Venezuela.

Washington police tricks criminals in fake raffle

WASHINGTON, July 7 (R). — They've done it again. In a repeat of a Zany crime-busting operation here earlier this year, police have tricked slow-learning criminals into handing over more than a million dollars worth of stolen goods.

Adding an appropriate touch of force, the undercover cops who ran the bogus fencing operation found out their customers' addresses by selling them raffle tickets.

And today police called personally to present 140 unsuspecting clients with their "prizes" — arrest warrants.

The clients were not amused to discover that the big initials "G.Y.A." on the 10-dollar raffle tickets stood for... "Got-Ya Again."

The first successful operation was staged in February when police posed as members of an out-of-town Mafia syndicate buying stolen goods.

This time eight black officers impersonated street criminals working for an unnamed Jewish underworld boss, and as before, when thieves turned up with stolen goods at a dilapidated building in central Washington, all transactions were monitored by hidden cameras and recorded on videotape.

Police said some of the loot was brought in minutes after street robberies, and included credit cards, guns, stereo sets, cars and cameras.

At one point the police were overwhelmed with customers and to slow the volume of business said they were short of funds and would have to pay less money.

This surprisingly helped towards the success of the operation. "I know you guys aren't the cops," one customer was quoted as saying, "because those cops up in northeast (the February operation) never ran out of money."

General Eanes faces uphill struggle to stabilise Portugal

LISBON, Portugal (CSM) — The overwhelming victory of Gen. Antonio Ramalho Eanes in Portugal's first free presidential election opens the way for the early formation of a government headed by the veteran Socialist, Mario Soares.

General Eanes made a campaign pledge to name Mr. Soares prime minister if he were elected.

The Socialists emerged as the strongest party in the recent legislative elections but do not have a majority in the national assembly. Mr. Soares, however, has said that he intends to form a minority government without any coalition of any kind.

If defeated he will immediately take his party into opposition, he says. But it would be hard for any government in Portugal today to rule without the Socialists.

With the enormous economic problems facing the country, the Socialists have taken on a hard job, and one that is not likely to be made any easier for them by the Communists.

With all their overtures to the Socialists for a coalition and a "true government of the left" spurred, the Communists already have said they are not prepared to support Socialist policies to help out.

As the Communists control some of the most important trade unions, including the construction workers, the metallurgical workers and the shipyarders, the Socialists may find they have a long hot summer of labour agitation on their hands.

General Eanes, the taciturn army chief who told the Portuguese he would give them back law and order, will have a key role to play in Portugal's course over the next four years.

As president and chief of the armed forces, he must see to the efficiency and cohesion of the military. As presiding member of the Revolutionary Council, a watchdog body that can turn back any laws emitted by the National Assembly if it considers them unconstitutional, the president is expected to act as a moderating, building force on the entire governmental system.

General Eanes also could turn back any ministerial appointments by Mr. Soares if he didn't agree with them, so he also has a say in the formation of the cabinet.

And he has the power to dissolve the National Assembly and direct foreign policy.

Socialists are hoping that because of the massive support they gave General Eanes during the election campaign, he will return the favours and use his influence to give them time needed to get the country back into shape.

General Eanes was virtually unknown to the Portuguese a year ago but jumped to prominence last November after masterminding the crushing of a leftist military uprising.

He promised the electors that the new Socialist constitution would be followed at all times and that the underprivileged would be looked after. But his chief emphasis was that getting back to work after two years of revolutionary upheaval would have to be the people's main concern.

"It is necessary that only those eat who also are prepared to work," he said in one town.

The man in second place to General Eanes, the controversial former security forces chief, Major Otelo Saraiva de Carvalho, preached a very different line in his sickly mounted campaign. His theme was "popular power" and a government constituted by unknown to the Portuguese a year ago but jumped to prominence last November after masterminding the crushing of a leftist military uprising.



The world's first 'tail-safe' oil hose — which gives warning of leakage or damage — has been developed in Britain. Here a length of the new hose is shown during installation at the monobuoy terminal at Anglesey, North Wales.

Comecon meets to discuss rising consumer demands

EAST BERLIN, July 7. (R). — Soviet bloc prime ministers meet here today to seek new ways of meeting rising consumer demands in an increasingly harsh economic climate.

The nine-nation trading group Comecon, whose annual summit is set to last three days, is facing a sharp squeeze on manpower, capital and raw material resources.

Targets for higher living standards have been lowered for the rest of the decade, and politicians are calling for new efforts to step up productivity.

The problems of adapting to the new climate have been starkly demonstrated in Poland, where the government was hurriedly forced to cancel an essential package of food price rises last month after worker protests.

Speeches today are expected to spotlight the positive side of Comecon's performance and stress that its growth over the last five years was three times as fast as that of the west European Common Market.

But the west's problems of inflation and recession are hitting Comecon countries too, forcing up import bills and killing hopes of an export boom.

Other problems on the Comecon horizon include increasing debts to the west, the need to agree on ways of specialising industrial production in member countries, and uncertainties in agricultural performance.

Last year's Comecon summit in Budapest produced plans to ensure energy and raw materials supplies by exploiting Soviet resources with east European capital and technology.

The issue seems certain to dominate this Comecon session once again. The final go-ahead

Iraq, Malaysia sign air service agreement

KUALA LUMPUR, July 7. (R). — Iraq and Malaysia today signed an air services agreement under which Iraqi Airways will soon operate two weekly commercial flights between Baghdad and here.

Mr. Dhakir Al Hadithi, President of Iraqi Civil Aviation Organisation, who signed the agreement here and announced the new air service said his country was keen to have closer economic and political relations with Malaysia.

Malaysian Communications Ministry Secretary-General Datuk Mahadzah Hussein who signed for Malaysia said the state-owned Malaysian Airlines System (MAS) might also operate to Iraq as part of its plan to extend services to the Middle East shortly.

may be announced for a united east European electricity grid that will extend to Yugoslavia.

Yugoslavia takes part in a number of Comecon activities as an associate, and is represented here by a deputy premier. Vietnam, North Korea, Laos and newly independent Angola are present as observers.

U.S. called upon to have rational policy against hunger

WASHINGTON, July 7. (R). — The United States spends about \$3,000 million a year to help fight world hunger but does not have a rational policy to deal with the problem, Senate investigators said Tuesday.

A coherent and explicit policy consisting of goals and objectives does not exist, according to a report prepared by the republican staff of the Senate committee on nutrition and human needs.

"What does exist are fragments of policy, some broad and vaguely stated, others more precise, and some generally understood by those responsible for U.S. participation in the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organisation, but rarely articulated by them," the report said.

EEC, Canada conclude non-preferential agreement

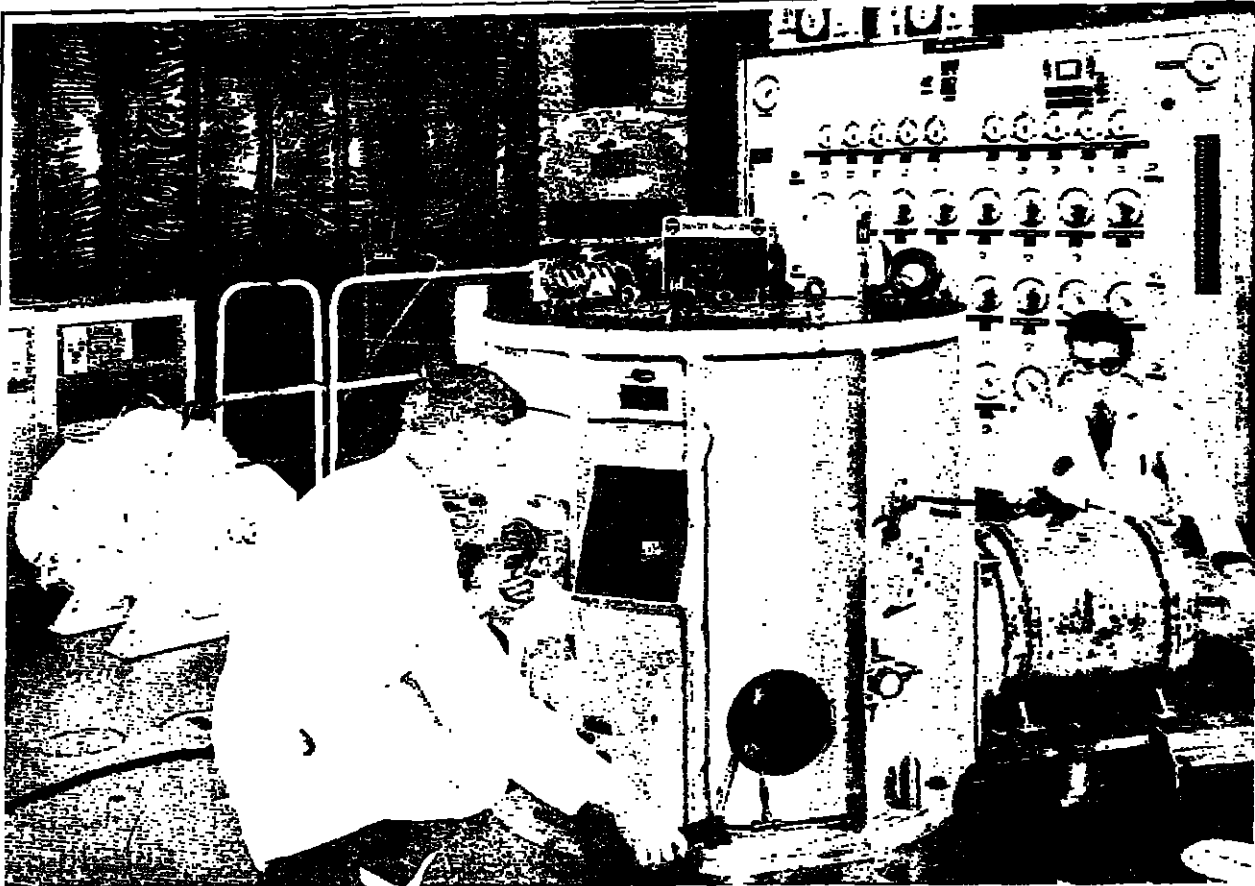
OTTAWA, July 7. (AFP). — A framework agreement on trade and economic cooperation between Canada and the European Economic Community (EEC) was signed here Tuesday.

It was signed by Canadian Minister of External Affairs Allan Rock and President of the Council of the EEC Max Van Der Stoep, who is also Dutch Minister of foreign affairs.

The agreement is for an indefinite period. It can be renounced by either contracting party after five years by giving a year's notice in advance.

Mr. Van Der Stoep said at the signing ceremony: "The agreement marks an important new step in the process of strengthening the traditional links between the community and Canada."

This is the first time that the community has concluded a non-preferential agreement with a highly-industrialized country.



NEW ISOTOPE WILL AID DIAGNOSIS — Scientists removing an isotope from the PLUTO reactor at the Harwell Laboratories where, they have produced a new isotope that is expected to have great advantages in the diagnosis of liver and kidney disease.

Iran to start joint projects in Egypt

ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT, July 7. (R). — Egyptian and Iranian officials discussed here Tuesday the question of establishing a joint fertiliser complex in Egypt costing about \$ 450 million, informed sources said.

The project was discussed at a meeting of the joint ministerial committee set up to coordinate cooperation between the two countries.

The sources said other projects under discussion included housing, power, industrial and tourism.

Iran has granted Egypt financial aid totalling about \$ 1,000 million in 1974 and since then a number of joint projects were established. They included a bank, a weaving and spinning company, a contracting company and a maritime transport company.

Iranian sources said Iran has agreed to provide Egypt with spare parts for busses which Egypt imported from Iran. The spare parts, worth \$ 10 million would be shipped directly from West Germany to Egypt, the sources said.

The Iranian side is headed by Mines and Industries Minister Farrokh Najmabadi and the Egyptian by Economy Minister Zaki Shafie. The committee's work began Monday and is expected to last until Thursday.

Hailstones strike Algerian town

ALGIERS, July 7. (R). — Hailstones weighing up to half a pound and 100 grammes, smashed roofs and cut all telephone links at Tebessa, near Algeria's border with Tunisia, the Algerian News Agency APS reported today.

About 40 people were injured and some may have died in the freak 10-minute storm last night, the agency said.

News blackout covers Italy today

ROME, July 7. (R). — Newspapers and news agency journalists, teletype operators and print workers started a national one-day strike today to press for government action to help the news industry.

The strikers will be joined at midnight by journalists at the state radio and television company, RAI, leaving Italy with a complete news blackout tomorrow.

The striking unions claim that newspapers in Italy are in serious trouble, with deficits heading towards 100,000 million lire (£66 million) despite government subsidies.

They say several papers are virtually bankrupt and in danger of closing down. They are also demanding further reforms at RAI to take news programmes out of party political control.

The unions have put forward no precise plans for reform, and the leftwing newspaper la Repubblica warned this morning that the strike would be a sterile exercise if it was not followed up by concrete action.

France, S. Arabia set up permanent military missions

PARIS, July 7. (R). — France and Saudi Arabia will set up permanent military missions in each other's capitals soon in view of mounting Saudi purchases of French aircraft and other sophisticated weapons, French Defence Minister Yvon Bourges said Tuesday.

The two countries are also stepping up military cooperation, including provision of training facilities, he said.

M. Bourges plans to visit Saudi Arabia in September.

The Saudi Deputy Defence Minister, Prince Turki Bin Abdul Aziz, spent last week touring French arms plants and had talks with Mr. Bourges and other cabinet ministers.

He discussed plans for a new arms industry to be set up near Cairo on behalf of Arab oil countries, with Saudi Arabia making the largest financial contribution.

"Negotiations for the proposed arms industry are making good progress," a French official said.

Saudi Arabia has already bought 4,000 million francs \$ 1,000 million.

Non-aligned scientists draft report for Colombo summit

COLOMBO July 7. (AFP). — Scientists and technologists from 19 non-aligned countries concluded a five-day seminar here last night at which they drew up an operational programme for scientific and technological cooperation among uncommitted countries.

Their recommendations on cooperation, particularly in the fields of food and agriculture, industry, education, health and physical planning, are to be submitted

to the non-aligned summit conference in Colombo next month for its consideration.

The primary aim of the seminar, organised by the Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science, was to discuss of exchanging information, experiences and coordinate the efforts of scientists and technologists of non-aligned countries.

A report prepared by the seminar said that it noted and used the recommendations of earlier meetings of scientists from non-aligned countries in New York and Algiers, especially regard to the establishment of a centre for cooperation in science and technology.

The seminar reiterated the scientific and technological cooperation among non-aligned countries should be designed to promote independence and self-reliance in each nation and should be based on friendship, equality and mutual benefit.

It reaffirmed the aspirations of the participants to "an anti-scientific and technological exploitation inspired by their heritage and for their creative capabilities and for the general welfare of people."

In doing so they expressed themselves against "the misuse of science and exploitation of cultures in the non-aligned countries by the imperialists for profit or the domination of one nation over the other at the purposes of war."

Franco-Indian trade relations to be developed

PARIS, July 7. (AFP). — Indian Minister of Foreign Trade D. P. Chattopadhyaya arrived Paris yesterday for a round of talks with his French opposite number, Raymond Barre, on developments in two-way trade Mr. Barre's ministry said.

The two ministers are co-chairmen of the Franco-Indian Commission, which has replaced the Franco-Indian study group formed in 1973 after then Finance Minister Valery Giscard d'Estaing's official visit to New Delhi.

They will survey the possibility of exchanging industrial missions and will review the nature of French imports from the viewpoint of the adequacy of Indian products on the French market.

France at present buys from India textiles, small tools leather, skins and precious materials. It sells to that country chiefly capital goods and chemical products. In addition, large equipment projects are being studied, such as electric power stations and telephone exchanges and working of the Bombay high oilfields.

Two-way trade represented 1,800 million francs (about \$383 million) last year, compared with 500 million francs (\$ 106 million) in 1971.

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Soyuz-21 expected to dock with Soviet space station

MOSCOW, July 7 (R) — Two Soviet cosmonauts orbited the earth today heading for an expected link-up with an unmanned space laboratory in what could be the first phase of a new three-spacecraft experiment.

The two, Colonel Boris Volynov and Lieutenant-Colonel Vitaly Zhlobov, blasted off yesterday from Soviet central asia in their Soyuz-21 ferry vehicle, exactly two weeks after a new space station, Salyut-5, was launched.

Their orbit put them exactly in the tracks of Salyut, and on the basis of previous space shots they were expected to close in on the station today or early tomorrow.

The Soviet news agency TASS, following its usual non-committal approach said only that Soyuz-21 would carry out "joint experiments" with the Salyut. But observers were confident that, barring mishaps, a docking would go ahead.

They have docked!

MOSCOW, July 7 (R). — Two Soviet cosmonauts today docked their Soyuz-21 ferry vehicle with the unmanned orbital station Salyut-5 and both men transferred to it, Tass news agency reported.

So far the mission has closely followed the pattern of flights over the past few years, in which two-man crews have docked with space stations, carried out experiments over several weeks, and then returned to earth.

But this time Soviet sources have indicated that if all goes well the Soyuz-21 team could be joined on Salyut by another crew after four or five weeks.

Uganda alerts its army

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President Amin replied to Colonel Qaddafi that the Israelis had suffered heavy casualties "and that is why they have tried to invade Uganda again."

There was no explanation for this remark. It was possible, however, that it referred to the 30 aircraft reported on Uganda radar screens today.

President Amin said in his message that no plane must land in Uganda unless scheduled. Every part of the country is defended, he said.

Meanwhile, the United Nations Security Council will meet Thursday to hear Uganda's protest against Israel's raid on Entebbe airport.

The meeting was announced in New York on Tuesday by Mauritian permanent representative Moulaye Al Hassan, this month's chairman of the African Group at the U.N.

The African group had earlier conferred on the problem of "Israeli aggression against Uganda." It decided to call for a security council debate in accordance with instructions from the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), which at its summit in Mauritius which ended shortly after midnight Tuesday condemned the Israeli raid.

Earlier Ugandan President Idi Amin had accused Kenya of reinforcing its troops along their common border, but said Kenyans need not worry about an attack from Uganda as a result of "recent developments."

The assurance came in a message sent yesterday to Kenyan President Jomo Kenyatta from the Ugandan leader "On the recent tragic invasion of Uganda by the forces of Zionist Israel."

Ugandan radio, monitored here, quoted the message as saying, "from all information available to me, the operation was carried out with your excellency's full knowledge and the knowledge of your government."

President Amin expressed "great

The U.S. magazine Aviation Week reported last month that the new orbital laboratory had two docking ports, enabling ferry vehicles to clamp on at each end in what the sources here describe as a "space sausage."

The sources have suggested the two ships could also carry out crew transfers, repeating experiments performed last year in the joint Apollo-Soyuz venture with American astronauts.

OAU to reconsider Sahara next month

DAR ES SALAAM, July 7 (Agencies) — An extraordinary session of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) will be convened to discuss the v-estern Sahara, Tanzania's Foreign Minister Ibrahim Kaduma said on returning from the OAU meeting in Mauritius.

He said that the question of western Sahara was the hottest issue at the meeting.

In Rabat, the pro-government daily Le Matin said today Algeria's "interference" in the Sahara decolonisation issue and its "repeated attacks against Morocco and Mauritania" should be fully examined by the OAU special summit on the problem to be held next month.

The OAU failed to agree on an Algerian sponsored resolution at the just-ended summit in Mauritius backing the cause of the Saharan Polisario Front and referred the subject to a special summit for further debate.

On Djibouti the Tanzanian foreign minister said Somalia and Ethiopia renounced their claim to the territory. He added that the OAU agreed to respect the sovereignty of Djibouti.

surprise" that Kenyan authorities should give facilities to Israel to carry out an operation against Uganda.

Kenya allowed the Israeli planes involved in Sunday's rescue of over 100 hijack hostages from Entebbe to land at Nairobi on their way back to Israel. But both Kenya and Israel have denied that they collaborated in the raid.

Meanwhile the Ugandan government today denied all knowledge of the whereabouts of an Israeli woman hostage whom Israel says was in a hospital here during the Israeli weekend raid at Entebbe airport.

A statement by the Ugandan ministry of health said the woman, named by the Israelis as Mrs Dora Bloch, 75, had already been discharged from hospital and had rejoined the other hostages at the airport, as demanded by the hijackers, before the raid.

Nimeiry: Libya wants civil war in Sudan

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He added that Friday's invasion was designed to break this unity.

He said the agreement had been supported by the whole world except Libya and that every country except Libya had helped its implementation, the agency added.

Omdurman Radio, quoted by the Egyptian Middle East News Agency in Cairo, said officials had ordered the immediate liquidation of the Sudanese-Libyan agricultural company.

This was one of the joint projects which was ordered to be shut down by President Nimeiry who assumed power here in 1969.

Omdurman radio said all the company's Libyan officials must also leave Sudan within 24 hours, the agency reported.

Meanwhile, Arab ambassadors, after a meeting at the United Nations in New York, have urged Sudan to drop its complaint against Libya before the Security

Portugal's Gomes quits presidency rather satisfied

LISBON, July 7 (AFP) — President Francisco da Costa Gomes of Portugal bowed out today playing down the achievements of his some times turbulent 21 months in office.

The country, he told diplomats at a farewell cocktail party, "despite what certain politicians and journalists say, is still far from reaching the stability that is absolutely necessary if a nation is to progress without somersaults" earlier, the supreme court proclaimed General Antonio Ramalho Eanes, victor in the June 27 election, new head of state.

The election was the last important event of Gen. Costa Gomes's presidency. During his term of office, the fledgling democracy acquired a parliament and a constitution and held Portugal's first free elections for half a century. It is soon due to get its first elected Government.

The country also lived through the last four of six provisional Governments, two attempted coups d'etat, and an alarming economic crisis which Gen. Eanes says must be beaten within six months if the democracy is to survive.

Gen. Costa Gomes told the diplomats "I believe I have accumulated a wealth of experience & knowledge that could be useful, especially when it comes to reorganising the armed forces."

A past master in the art of compromise, in contrast to his since disgraced, predecessor Gen. Antonio Spínola, Gen. Costa Gomes will be remembered as a patient politician, one who rode the crisis without alienating himself from any of the mutually distrustful political parties.

Olympic flame goes electronic

ATHENS, July 7 (AFP). — An Olympic official arrived here today with an electronic torch to beam the Olympic flame from Greece to Canada on July 15.

Mr. Henri Biar of the International Olympic Committee also brought with him 540 oil torches to carry the flame from the Hera Temple in Olympia, Peloponnesia, to Athens.

The sacred flame will be transmitted by a coded energy signal by Intelsat satellite from the Greek capital to Ottawa and then rekindled by a laser beam in a bowl set upon Parliament Hill.

From Ottawa to Montreal it will take 250 runners two days to make the journey to the summit of Mont Royal which dominates the Olympic city.

Nimeiry: Libya wants civil war in Sudan

ty Council in order to preserve Arab unity, the Arab League secretary announced in Cairo today.

The Sudanese delegation at the U.N. had agreed to relay the Arab request to its government which yesterday called for a Security Council debate to hear its protest against alleged Libyan backing of last Friday's abortive putsch in Khartoum.

In Khartoum today the interior ministry ordered a dusk-to-dawn curfew.

Egyptian Vice-President Hosni Mubarak, who arrived in the Sudanese capital for a short visit today from Port Louis Mauritius, was expected to meet President Jaafar Nimeiry to discuss how far Libya was involved in the bid to overthrow the Sudanese leader.

Observers believed Mr. Mubarak's visit was also aimed at showing the world that Egypt stood beside Sudan in political solidarity in the wake of the allegedly Libyan-backed coup.

Suarez forms Spanish Cabinet

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Minister Jose Maria De Arellaza and that the king confirmed Mr. Suarez as premier when they conferred later at the Zarzuela palace here.

The sources said Mr. Suarez's task has been made easier by a decision by Liberal Catholic leader Marcelino Oreja Aguirre to join his cabinet. Mr. Oreja, who is a leader of the Tacito Catholic group, is at present Secretary General of the Foreign Ministry and will take over foreign affairs, the sources said.



Famagusta mayor says no to Turkish Cypriots

NICOSIA, July 7 (R) — The Greek mayor of Famagusta, one of the island's best known holiday resorts, today appealed to the United Nations to stop Turkish Cypriots from settling in the deserted Greek-owned part of the city.

The appeal follows a statement by Mr. Rauf Denktaş, president of the self-proclaimed Turkish federated state of Cyprus. That it was high time the Greek-owned Varosha quarter of the resort was opened up for settlement by Turkish Cypriots.

Varosha, where all of Famagusta's luxury hotels and smart shops are located, has been a ghost town since the Turkish army took it over in 1974. No Turkish-Cypriot civilians, apart from officials, have been allowed into it.

In a speech yesterday on the formation of the Turkish Cypriot cabinet, Mr. Denktaş urged the speeding up of land distribution to Turkish-Cypriots who have moved to the new state in the northern part of the island.

In a cable to the United Nations special representative in Nicosia, the mayor of Famagusta, Mr. Andreas Pouyuros, said the Turkish-Cypriot leader's statement was "a bundle of dynamite placed at the foundation of the bridges for an agreed Cyprus settlement and leads directly to the total destruction of Cyprus's independence."

Similar appeals were sent to

Phalangists claim victories

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nistration in Beirut and call for a people's war of liberation."

He said his anti-Palestinian Maronite opponents represented "isolationism that is a form of Zionism."

Palestinian commando leader Yasser Arafat announced today that the headquarters of the general staff of the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) are being transferred from Damascus to Beirut.

On the political front, Beirut newspapers reported that Arab League mediator Mahmoud Riad was trying to convene a second meeting of representatives of the warring factions at the resort of Sofar.

The first meeting over the weekend broke up with no apparent headway achieved. Observers said it was difficult to hold out hope for a second meeting with fighting in many parts of the country still at a high level.

The rupture of relations between Libya and Sudan meanwhile appeared to have crippled joint Arab efforts to restore peace to Lebanon as well as further deepen disunity in Arab ranks.

Tunisian Foreign Minister Habib Shatti has left, apparently in desperation and the Bahrain member was reported planning to return home.

Apparently encouraged by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's help for President Nimeiry — some 1,500 Sudanese troops stationed in Egypt were airlifted home aboard Egyptian aircraft — Yasser Arafat last night issued an appeal to Mr. Sadat for help in Lebanon.

The PLO chief told President Sadat that the situation in the embattled Palestinian refugee camp of Tal Al-Zaatar was "extremely difficult."

There has been no official Egyptian reaction to the appeal and observers here said it was difficult to see what, if anything, Egypt could do to ease military pressure on the Palestinians in Lebanon.

Elizabeth II, Prince Phil tour Pennsylvania

PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania, July 6 (AFP) — An extreme rightwing American pastor and about 20 of his adherents protested briefly here today when Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip arrived to view the Liberty Bell.

The Rev. Carl McIntyre, a Fundamentalist preacher, complained that Britain's official gift to the United States, a 12,000 pound bi-centennial bell cast in the same London foundry as the Liberty Bell, and which the Queen is to dedicate, lacked the biblical inscription on the original bell.

That meant "literally taking God out of our concept of freedom," the pastor said.

The Queen arrived here today on the royal yacht Britannia to a welcome from some 5,000 people to visit the city where the American Declaration of Independence was signed 200 years ago.

She and the Duke of Edinburgh were met by Mayor Frank Rizzo and Pennsylvania Governor Milton Shapp. They were driven to the monument housing the Liberty Bell — which announced that the 13 American colonies of the time were breaking away from the England of King George III — in the personal bullet-proof limousine used by President Gerald Ford, who sent it to Philadelphia especially for the royal couple.

The Queen also visited Independence Hall and Carpenter Hall, where the first Continental Congress met in 1774 to denounce England's colonial policy.

The Queen said that the American revolution had taught her country a "precious lesson — to respect the right of others to govern themselves in their own ways."

We lost the American colonies because we lacked that statesmanship to know the right time and the manner of yielding what is impossible to keep," Queen Elizabeth said.

Mr. Bhutto, who recently visited Peking, was also understood to have briefed the Shah on some aspects of Pakistan's relations with China.

The Shah tonight was host at a dinner in honour of Mr. Bhutto, who is scheduled to fly home tomorrow.

Both countries have contributed to the force and the break in relations was followed by reports that Libyan and Sudanese troops in position near the airport had clashed.

The commander, General Mohammed Hassan Ghoneim, dismissed the reports as complete fabrication but observers in Cairo said Sudanese and Libyan troops were unlikely to cooperate as fully as the situation required.

The Arab peace-keeping force in Lebanon is waiting for an effective ceasefire before beginning its duties.

In southern Lebanon, Palestinians claimed that a fire at Zaharani oil refinery, caused by Syrian artillery, was put out late last night.

'But a Reuter reporter' who drove past the refinery today saw no trace of it having been set on fire.

The Lebanese leftwing press today reported that Syrian forces near Sidon had shelled the refinery and set it on fire, and the pro-Iraqi daily Beirut used the story as its banner headline.

But there was no fire at the refinery today, nor any trace visible from the highway that there had been one, Reuter reported.

Zahrani is vital to leftist and Palestinian-dominated southern Lebanon and west Beirut, as almost its only source of increasingly scarce petrol.

In a separate development, the Voice of Palestine radio said tonight that a delegation of the Palestine Liberation Organisation is to visit Moscow soon.

The radio said a Soviet invitation was conveyed to PLO leader Yasser Arafat by the Soviet ambassador in Beirut.

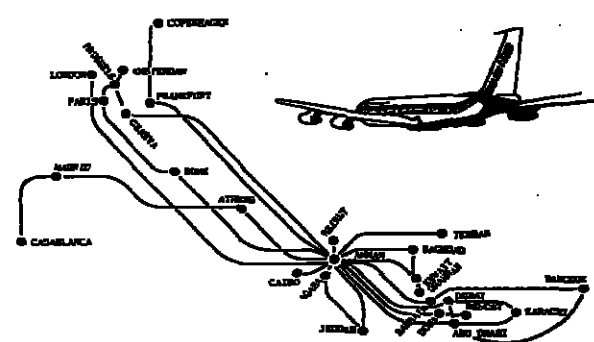
The ambassador, Mr. Alexander Soldatov, saw Mr. Arafat on Monday.

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